

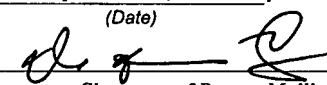


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| <b>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)</b><br><b>(Large Entity)</b>   |               |                  |  |                | <b>Docket No.</b><br><b>4296-164 US</b> |  |
| In Re Application Of: <b>NISHIMURA et al.</b>  |               |                  |  |                |   |  |
| Application No.  | Filing Date   | Examiner         | Customer No.   | Group Art Unit | Confirmation No.                        |  |
| 10/607,767   | June 27, 2003 | Karl J. PUTTLITZ | 26817  | 1621           | 7413                                    |  |
| Invention: <b>METHOD FOR PRODUCTION OF ACRYLIC ACID</b>  |               |                  |  |                |   |  |
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| <b><u>COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u></b>  |               |                  |  |                |   |  |
| This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of <u>April 6, 2007</u> in the above-identified application.<br><div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">Date</div>  |               |                  |  |                |   |  |
| The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):<br><div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> One month         </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Two months         </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Three months         </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Four months         </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Five months         </div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 10px;"> <div style="text-align: center;">             from: <u>July 6, 2007</u><br/> <div style="text-align: center; font-size: x-small;">Date</div> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">             until: <u>October 6, 2007</u><br/> <div style="text-align: center; font-size: x-small;">Date</div> </div> </div> |               |                  |  |                |   |  |
| The fee for the extension of time is <b>\$1,020</b> and is to be paid as follows:<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. <b>13-2165</b> .<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. <b>13-2165</b> .<br><input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.   |               |                  |  |                |   |  |
| <b>WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</b>  |               |                  |  |                |   |  |
| <br><div style="text-align: center; font-size: x-small;">Signature</div>  |               |                  | Dated: September 28, 3007  |                |   |  |
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